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Title: COMBINATION THAT CONSISTS OF NORPREGNANE DERIVATIVES AND

CYCLODEXTRIN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to calculating the national fee, and prior to examination in the National Phase of the above-identified International application, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 4. (Amended) Combination according to claim 1, whereby the cyclodextrin is a β -cyclodextrin.
- 5. (Amended) Combination according to claim 1, whereby the cyclodextrin and the gestagen

are present with β -cyclodextrin in a complex of 1:n (gestagen : cyclodextrin, n \geq 1), and

are present with γ -cyclodextrin in a complex of 1:n (n \geq 1) (gestagen : cyclodextrin).

- 6. (Amended) Combination according to claim 1 as a pharmaceutical agent.
- 8. (Amended) Combination according to claim 6 for the production of a pharmaceutical agent for treating menopausal symptoms.
 - 9. (Amended) Combination according to claim 1 for birth control.